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# Objective

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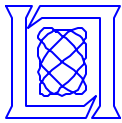
- **Overview of hyperspectral sensing**
- **Demonstrate how and why detection algorithms for hyperspectral imagery are related to detection algorithms for MTI radar**
  - **Similar physical assumptions**
  - **Common signal model**
- **Illustrate detection in hyperspectral imagery with real data and familiar detectors**



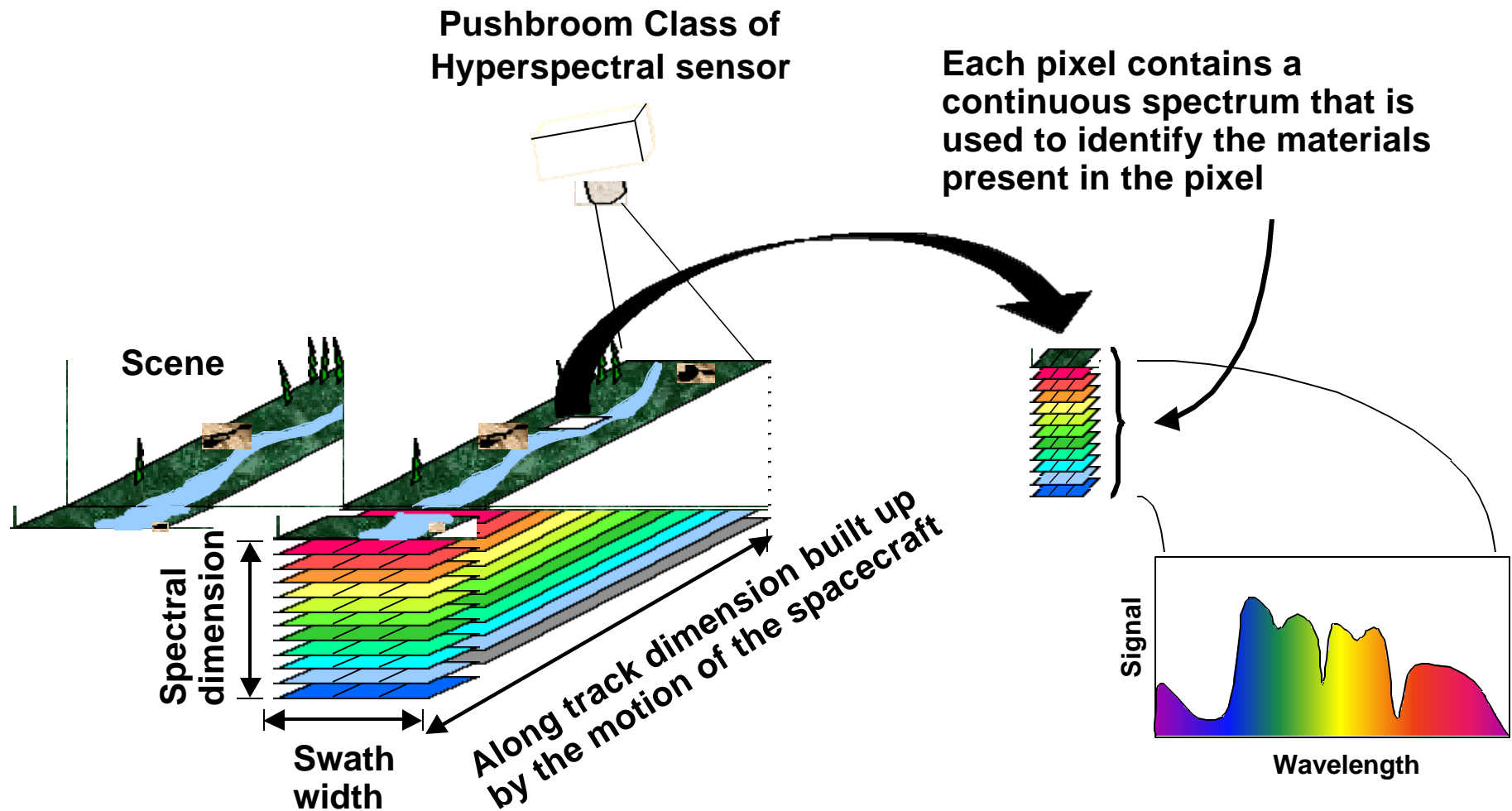
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- **Signal models**
- **Detection models**
- **Hyperspectral detection results**
- **Conclusion**



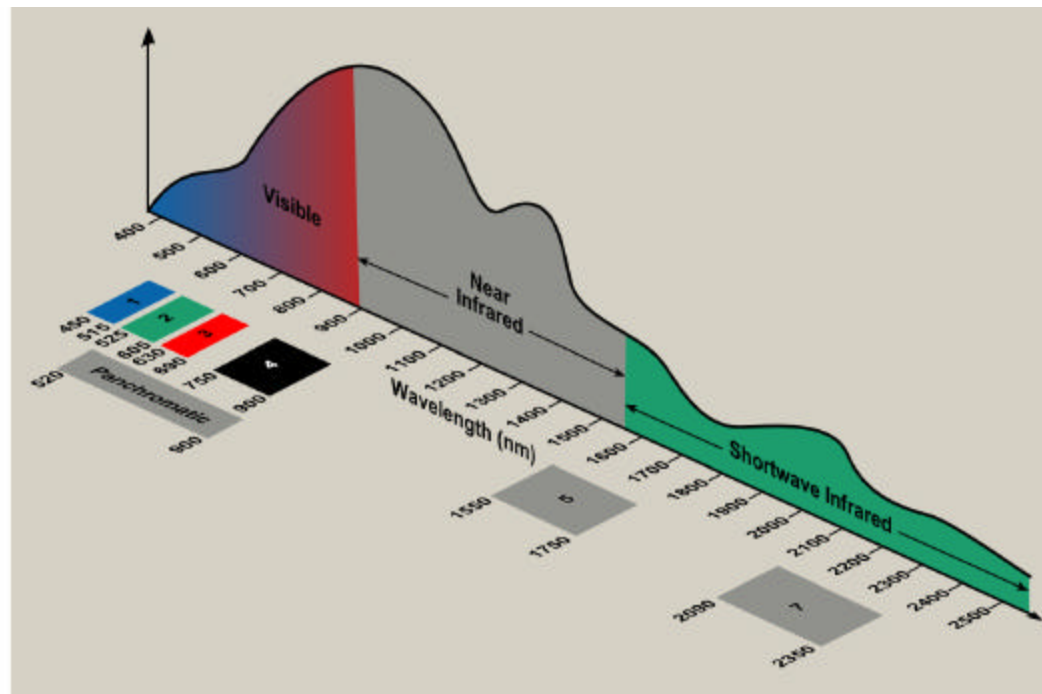
# Hyperspectral Imaging (HSI) Concept





# Hyperspectral Sensing

- Hyperspectral imaging (HSI) is a form of *passive* imaging
  - Extension of multispectral sensing (e.g., Landsat)
  - Hundreds of contiguous, real-valued spectral bands
  - Spatial resolution is a function of Instantaneous Field of View (IFOV) and altitude

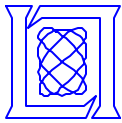




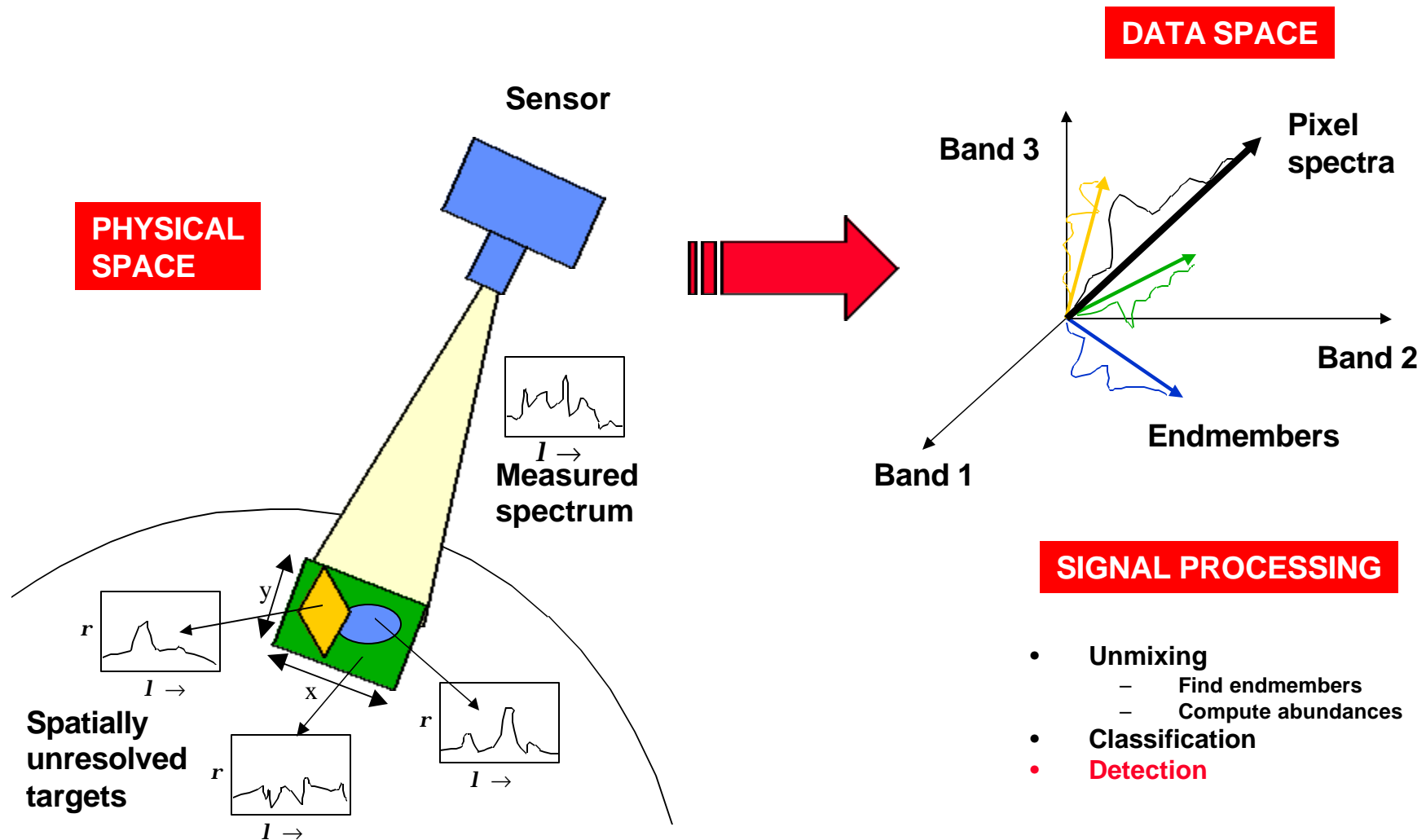
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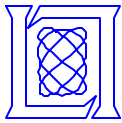
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# Modeling of Spatially Unresolved (Mixed) Pixels







# Linear Mixing Model (LMM)

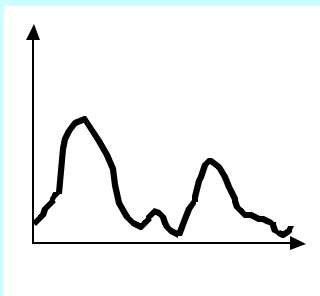
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Test pixel  $\mathbf{x}$  =

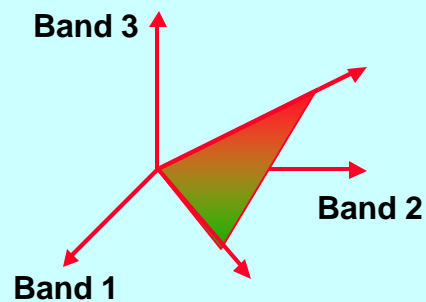
$$\sum_{k=1}^{P_T} \overset{\text{abundance}}{a_k} \underset{\text{end member}}{\mathbf{s}_k} + \sum_{k=P_T+1}^{P_T+P_B} a_k \mathbf{s}_k + \mathbf{n}$$

**LINEAR  
MIXING  
MODEL**

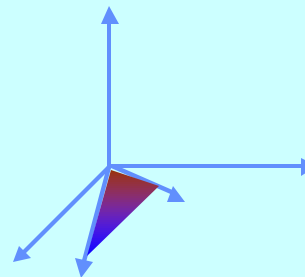
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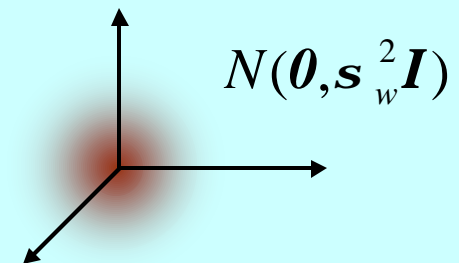
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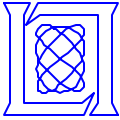


Background subspace

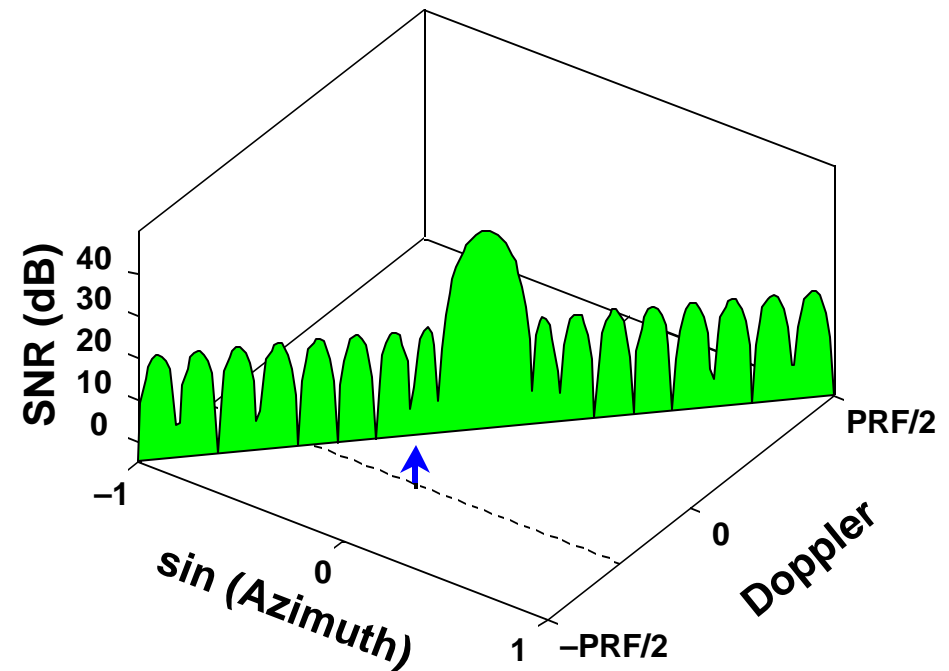
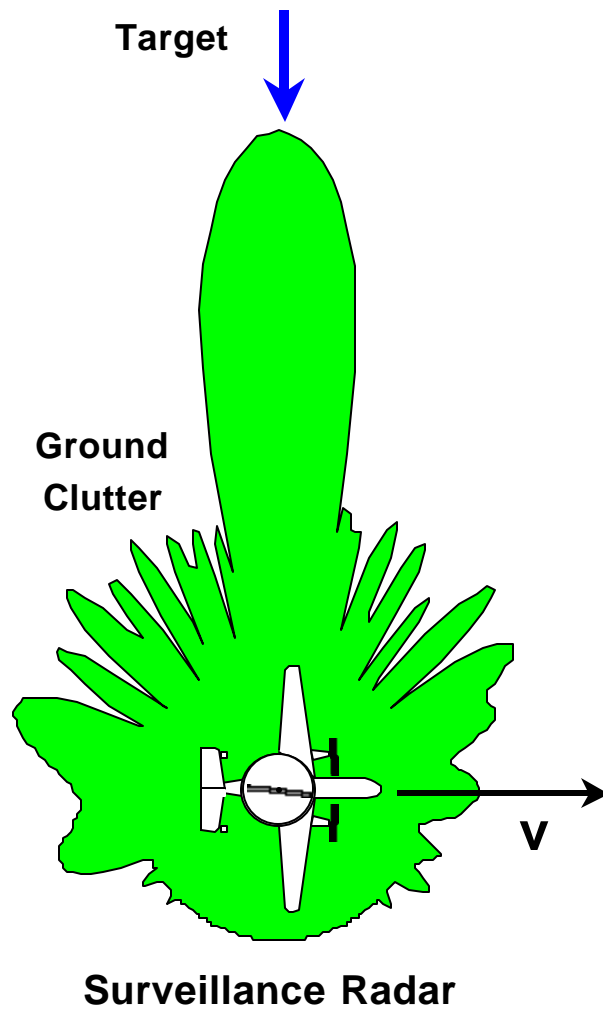


Noise hyper-sphere



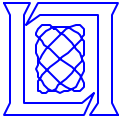


# MTI Radar

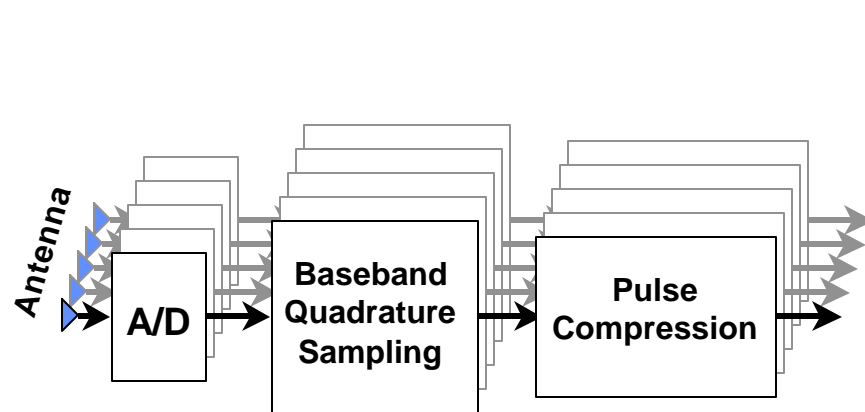
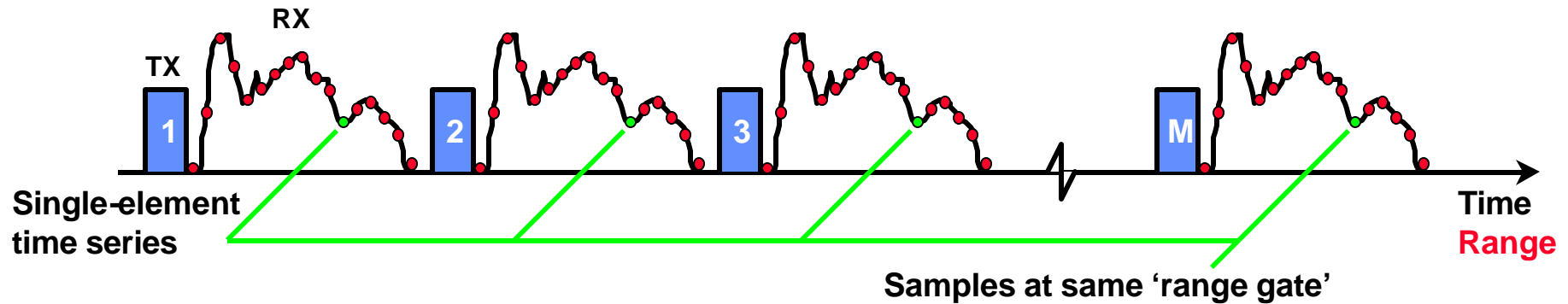


Two-dimensional filtering required to  
cancel interference

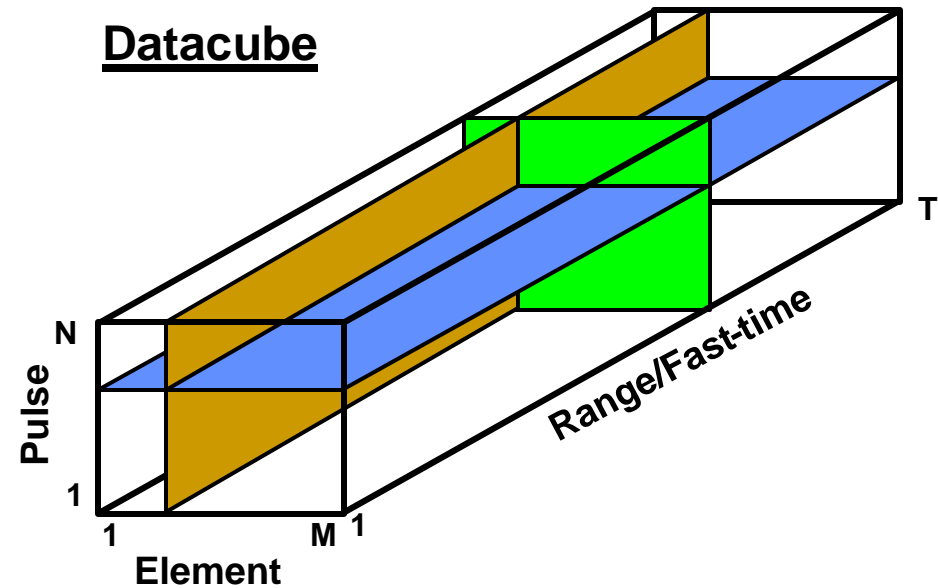
Space-Time Adaptive Processing  
(STAP)



# Pulsed Radar Datacube



## Datacube



### Measurement

Pulse

Element

Fast-time

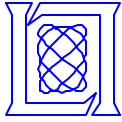


### Physical Quantity

Doppler (velocity)

Angle

Range



# STAP Radar Signal Model

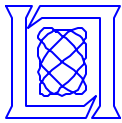
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- **Space-time snapshot for single target**

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n} \qquad \mathbf{t} = a \mathbf{v}(f, f)$$

- $\mathbf{v}(f, f)$  is called the space-time steering vector
- **Space-time interference (clutter, noise) covariance is**

$$\mathbf{R} = E \{ (\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n}) (\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n})^H \} = \mathbf{R}_c + \mathbf{R}_n$$



# Hyperspectral Imaging and MTI Radar

## Summary of Properties

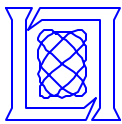
|              | Hyperspectral Imaging  | MTI Radar  |
|--------------|--|--|
| System       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passive, incoherent sensing</li> <li>Resolution is a function of detector IFOV and altitude</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Active, coherent sensing</li> <li>Resolution is a function of signal bandwidth and aperture length</li> </ul>   |
| Signal Model | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LMM assumes distinct spectra mix linearly</li> <li>Real spectra are sum of <u>endmembers</u> weighted by <u>abundances</u></li> </ul> $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{n}$ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Components add linearly to yield received signal</li> <li>Complex array measurements are sum of <u>steering vectors</u> weighted by <u>RCS</u> values</li> </ul> $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n}$ |
| Data Cube    |  |  |



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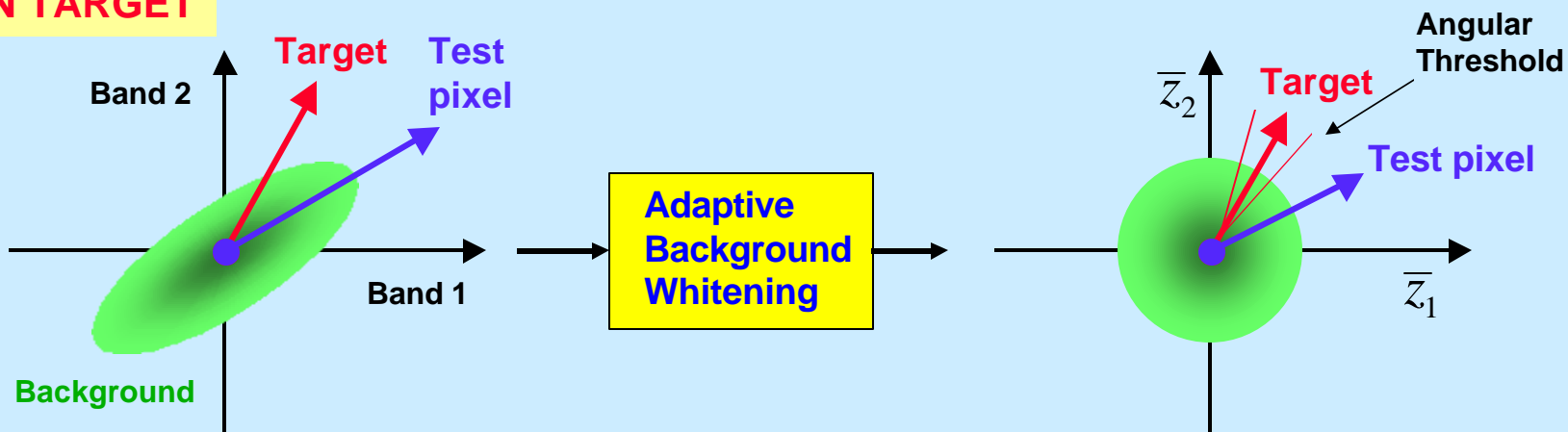
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# Adaptive HSI Detection

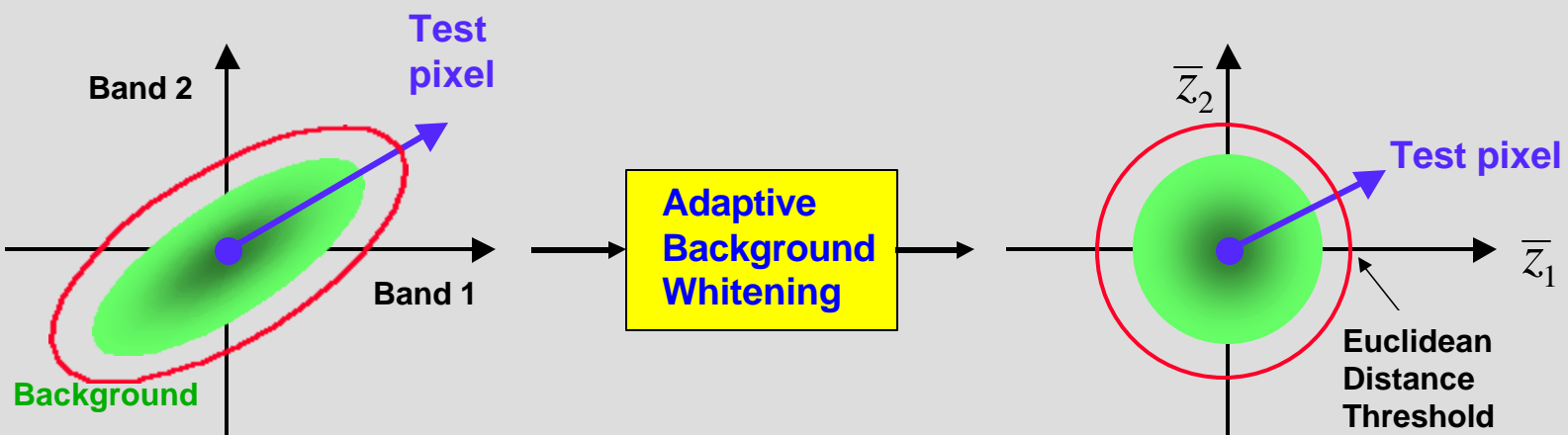
## Known and Unknown Targets

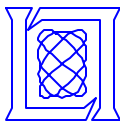
### KNOWN TARGET



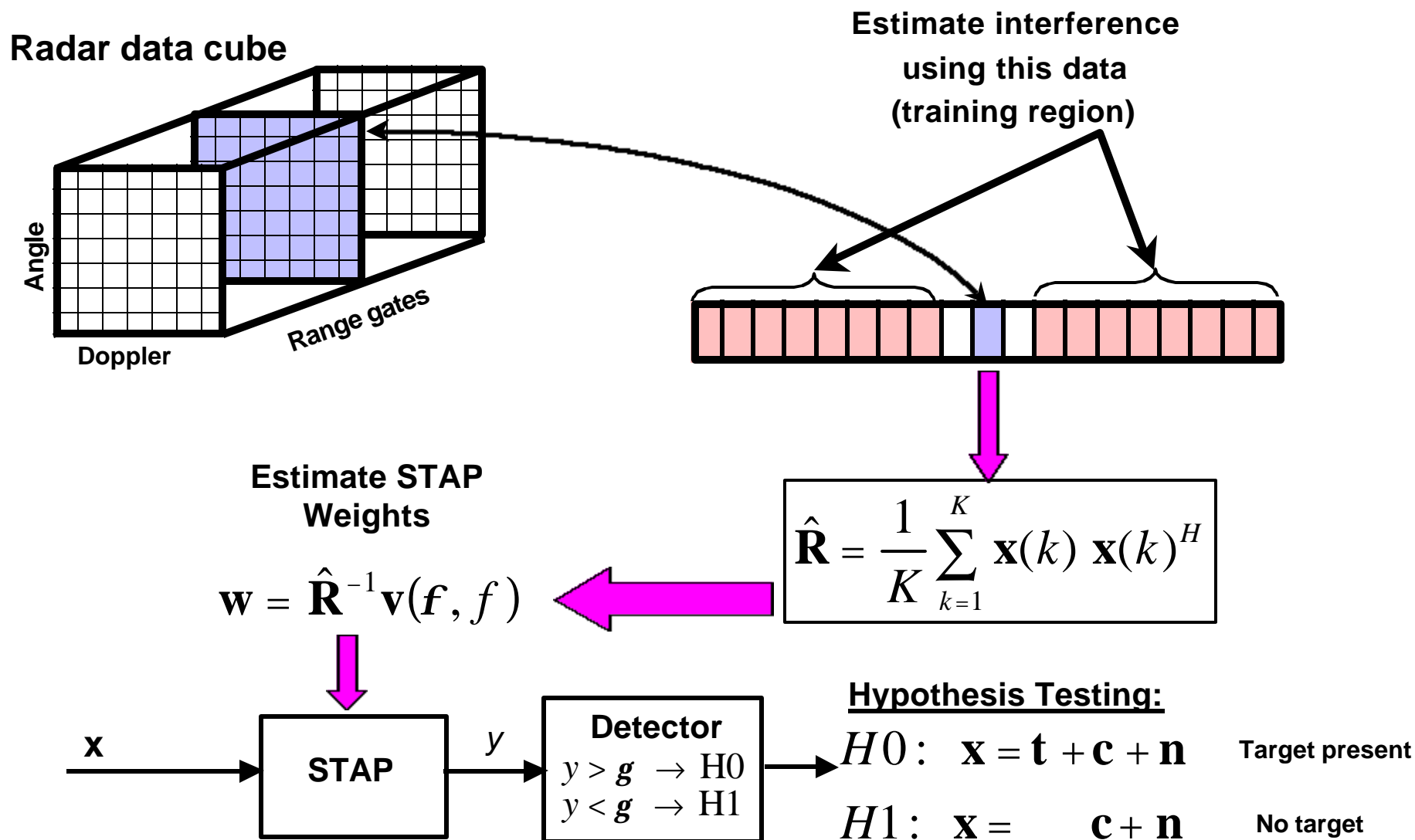
$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}(n) \mathbf{x}^T(n)$$

### UNKNOWN TARGET

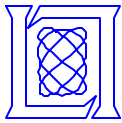




# Adaptive Detection in STAP Radar







# Replacement and Additive Target Models

- Hyperspectral detection has replacement targets

$$H_0: \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{n}$$

$$H_1: \mathbf{x} = f\mathbf{t} + (1-f)\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{n}$$

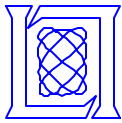
- Interference statistics
  - Varies with  $f, 0 \leq f \leq 1$
  - Target displaces background
- Detection results
  - Insufficient target data for ROC curves
  - No theoretical models

- MTI radar detection has additive targets

$$H_0: \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n}$$

$$H_1: \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{n}$$

- Interference statistics
  - Independent of target
  - Measure locally
- Detection results
  - ROC curves indicate  $P_D/P_{FA}$  values
  - Theoretical models for target



# Comparison of HSI and MTI Detection

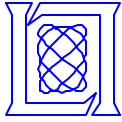
|                   | Hyperspectral Imaging  | MTI Radar  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| <b>Task</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Known target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Detect target spectrum amid background</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Unknown target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Detect pixels anomalous from background</li> </ul> </li> </ul>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moving target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Detect Doppler effect at specific range and angle</li> <li>– Use data after pulse compression</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
| <b>Covariance</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interference covariance estimated from sample pixels</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Dimension equals number of bands (~ 100--200)</li> <li>– Can use subset of bands</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interference covariance estimated from local subset of pulse/element/range measurements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Better estimate</li> <li>– Avoids non-stationarity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| <b>Strategy</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Replacement target model</b></li> <li>• <b>Known target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Measure spectral angle</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Unknown target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Measure magnitude</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Additive target model</b></li> <li>• <b>Moving target</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Exploit coherency through beamforming and Doppler filtering</li> <li>– RCS and velocity are key parameters for target visibility</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |



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  - Detection taxonomy
  - Sub-pixel target detection
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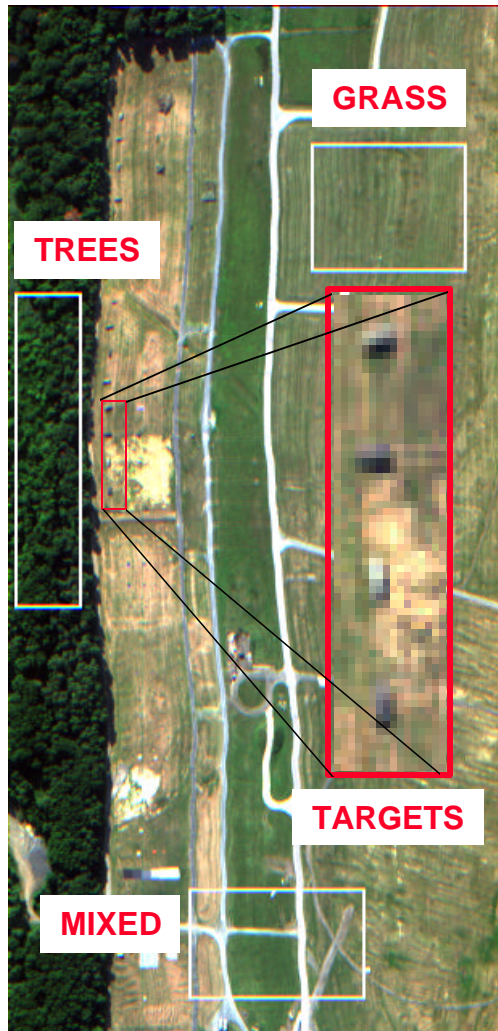


# Taxonomy of Hyperspectral Detectors

| Noise model  | Signal model  | Available data  | Test statistic $T(\mathbf{x})$   | References  | Comments   |
|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| $\mathbf{R}$ = completely unknown interference (unstructured)  | $\mathbf{s} = a\mathbf{s}_t$<br>known direction   | $\mathbf{x}$ = test measurement<br>$\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_1^N$ = “signal-free” training data<br><br>$\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T$<br><br>$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{1}{N} \bar{\mathbf{R}}$ | $\frac{ \mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} ^2}{(\mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_t)(1 + \mathbf{x}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x})}$   | Generalized Likelihood Ratio Test (GLRT)<br>Kelly (1986)  |  |
|  |   |   | $\frac{ \mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} ^2}{\mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_t}$  | Adaptive Matched Filter (AMF)<br>Robey et al (1992)<br>Chen and Reed (1991)   | $T_{CEM}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_t}$  |
|  |   |   | $\frac{ \mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} ^2}{(\mathbf{s}_t^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_t)(\mathbf{x}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x})}$   | Adaptive Coherence Estimator (ACE)<br>Conte et al (1995)<br>Scharf and McWhorter (1996)   | $\mathbf{x} = \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1/2} \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{s}_t = \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1/2} \mathbf{s}_t$<br>$\cos \mathbf{q} = \frac{ \mathbf{s}_t^T \mathbf{x} }{\ \mathbf{s}_t\  \ \mathbf{x}\ }$<br>$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{s}^2 \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \text{SAM}$ |
|  | $\mathbf{s} = \sum_{k=1}^P a_k \mathbf{s}_k = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}$<br>$1 \leq P \leq M$ |   | $\frac{\mathbf{x}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{S} (\mathbf{S}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{S}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}}{1 + \mathbf{x}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}}$   | Kelly (1987,1989);<br>$P = M \Rightarrow$ unknown deterministic target,<br>Reed-Yu (1990)   | $P = 1 \Rightarrow$ GLRT<br>$P = M \Rightarrow$<br>$T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}$<br>Simplicity $\Rightarrow \mathbf{S} \equiv \mathbf{I}_M$  |
| structured interference<br>$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{s}^2 \mathbf{I} + \sum_{k=1}^Q \mathbf{z}_k \mathbf{z}_k^T$ | $\mathbf{s} = a\mathbf{s}_t$  | $\mathbf{x}$ = test measurement<br><br>$\mathbf{S} \equiv [\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2 \dots \mathbf{s}_P]$<br>$\mathbf{Z} \equiv [\mathbf{z}_1 \mathbf{z}_2 \dots \mathbf{z}_Q]$                                       | $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{s}_t \Rightarrow$<br>$\hat{a} = \frac{\mathbf{s}_t^T \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{s}_t^T \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{s}_t}$   | Classical F-test for linear statistical models;<br>OSP: Harsanyi -Chang (1994)  | Orthogonal subspace projection (OSP):<br>$T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{s}_t^T \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{x}$  |
|  | $\mathbf{s} = \sum_{k=1}^P a_k \mathbf{s}_k = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}$<br>$1 \leq P \leq M$ |   | $T'(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{P}_G \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{P}_G^\perp \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{x}}$<br>$\mathbf{P}_G \equiv \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{G})^{-1} \mathbf{G}^T$<br>$\mathbf{G} \equiv \mathbf{P}_Z^\perp \mathbf{S} \quad \mathbf{P}_G^\perp \equiv \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_G$ | Classical F-test for linear statistical models; Signal processing interpretations<br>Matched Subspace Detector (MSD), Scharf-Friedlander (1994) | $T(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{T'(\mathbf{x})}{P}$<br>$M - P - Q$  |

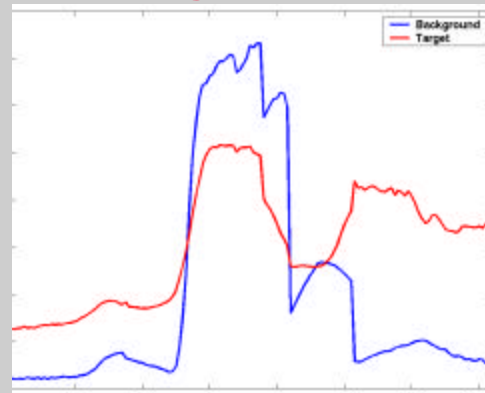


# Hyperspectral Detection Results

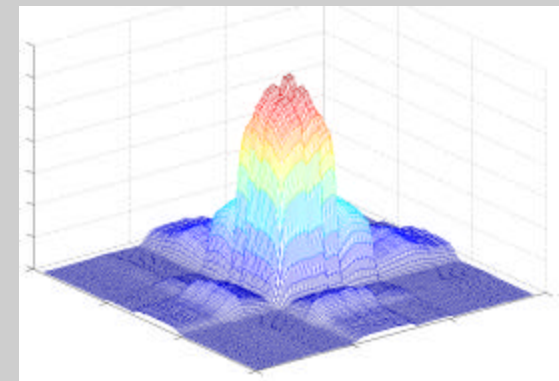


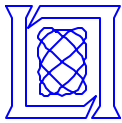
- HYDICE (HYperspectral Digital Imagery Collection Experiment)
  - Airborne sensor
- 210 spectral bands
  - 399-2501 nm
  - Channel widths ~ 3 – 11 nm
  - Spatial resolution, 1m x 1m
- Look for sub-pixel targets

Mean **Target/Tree** Spectra



Covariance for **Trees**





# Comparative Detector Performance

## Sub-pixel Targets

- 8232 tree pixels
- 8232 synthetic mixed pixels
  - 25% / 75%
  - 50% / 50%
  - 75% / 25%

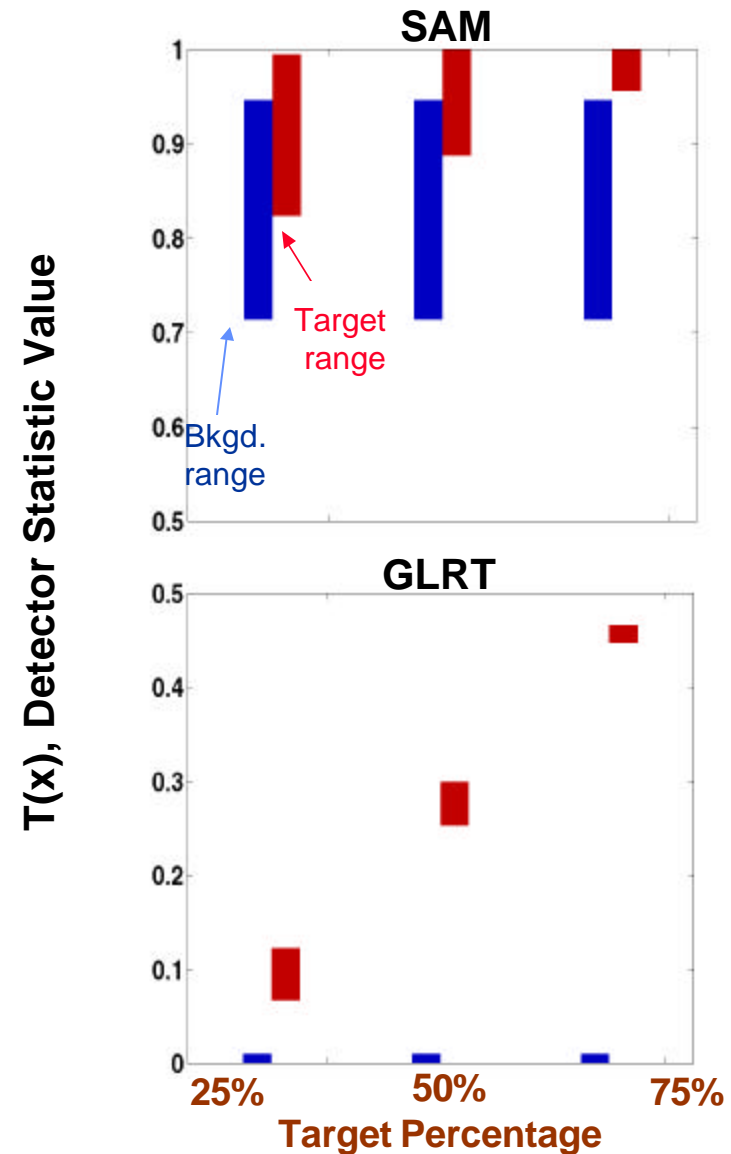
- Two detectors
  - SAM (“unwhitened”)

$$T_{SAM}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{(\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{x})}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s})} \sqrt{(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x})}}$$

- GLRT

$$T_{GLRT}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{(\mathbf{s}^T \bar{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{x})^2}{(\mathbf{s}^T \bar{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{s})(1 + \mathbf{x}^T \bar{R}_b^{-1} \mathbf{x})}$$

- Measure range of test statistics





# Conclusions

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- **Under LMM, hyperspectral sensing shares a common signal model with MTI radar**
  - Endmembers « Steering vectors
  - Abundances « RCS
- **Hyperspectral processing has leveraged optimal detection algorithms from radar**
  - Exploit spectral differences between targets and background
- **Successful sub-pixel target detection depends upon**
  - Target/background subspace relationship
  - Fraction of target present